

ROME'S THREE FIRES.

Two Thousand Bales of Cotton in a Blaze

THE BALE WAREHOUSE IN ASHES

Three Alarms in Succession Excite the Citizens.

GOOD WORK DONE BY THE FIREMEN

In Saving Adjoining Property—The Roof of Holmes's Sanatorium Ablaze—But Little Damage Done.

Rome, Ga., April 10.—(Special).—The cotton fire in front of the Central hotel yesterday afternoon kept the firemen working a great portion of last night. Just before daylight this morning an alarm was turned in from Dr. J. B. S. Holmes's sanitarium. The roof of the sanitarium in the cupola was in a blaze. The shouts of fire aroused the many sleeping guests of the sanitarium and in wrappers and night clothes many of the female occupants sought terra firma. For awhile it seemed as if the flames could not be overcome, but finally, heroic effort and splendid water facilities combined saved a great conflagration. As it is, the loss will be small and will not inconvenience anyone. The sanitarium is the largest building in Rome.

Another Alarm.
At 8:45 o'clock this morning the fire alarm again sounded. The alarm was rung with a vim and the populace en masse turned out. The Bale warehouse on West First street, which was filled with cotton brought from the low water district, was on fire. The flames spread rapidly and soon every bale of cotton was burning.

The fire department responded promptly. The situation was alarming. Immediately adjoining the Bale warehouse was the large Wright warehouse which contained about 2,000 bales of cotton, besides hay, mattresses and other inflammable articles. Barker & Co.'s livery stable was within twenty feet of the burning building and all the stock and vehicles were removed. About this time a spark fell among the bales of cotton piled near the

was a great blaze. The entire fire department turned out. A large number of streams were turned on the Broad street fire and it was extinguished after a number of bales had been partly burned. The whole force was next concentrated on the Wright warehouse and by hard work and skillful management saved it. The department then turned their attention to the burning cotton in the Bale warehouse. The cotton burned was the property of Printup Bros., Montgomery & Co.

An opinion was expressed that as the cotton had been removed on account of high water from the warehouses where it had been insured, the insurance companies ought not be liable. The Constitution sought Mr. C. H. Cochran, who represents a number of the insurance companies, and he said that the companies would pay the losses as they had endorsed on the policies per mission for the removal of

the cotton from the flood district. The companies carrying the insurance are Commercial Union, North American, Queen, Royal, The Home of New York, The Hartford, Hamburg-Bremen, Atlanta Home, and United Underwriters.

The Losses.

It is impossible at this hour to ascertain the losses. They will at the lowest estimate reach several thousand dollars. Burst and burnt cotton bales are scattered broadcast over quite an area of

The waters have left the streets of Rome and business will be resumed in the morning. Many merchants were busy all Saturday night and some few have worked during the day. Tonight church services are being held by lamplight and the Armstrong hotel is illuminated with candles.

The Rev. Mr. Culpepper, the great evangelist, today began a two weeks war on Satan and sin. This morning he preached to a large congregation at the First Methodist church. With Mr. Culpepper is Charley Tillman, better known as "Sweet Singing Charley." The music rendered is very sweet. The revival promises to be a great one.

THE WILL STANDS.

Gold Pen.
Rome, Ga., April 10.—(Special.)—One of the most important civil cases that has ever been tried in Floyd superior court, was the case of Hincy C. Mitchell, executor of the estate of W. H. Mitchell, proponenter, vs. Mrs. W. H. Mitchell, Miss Banks and Will Mitchell, caveators.

Colonel Mitchell was one of the best known men in this section. He was a man of great ability. Was once president of the Mobile and Girard railroad, a county commissioner of Floyd, and in the affairs of Rome

was a father. He left an estate valued at \$30,000. The bulk of the estate was left to Henry C. Mitchell, his eldest son by his first marriage. To his present wife, who was Miss Mary Cothan, a distinguished family, he left in his will, only a gold ring. To William Mitchell, his second wife, he bequeathed the woodland and some lands. Miss Banks, a granddaughter, who lived with him, was very slightly remembered.

Mrs. Mitchell, William Mitchell and Miss Banks filed their caveat and employed Dabney & Fouché to break down the will.

The will was represented by Colonel Louis F. Garrard, of Columbus, and Judge Louis Brannan, of this city. The testimony

was elaborate and long. The theory upon which the battle was most strongly fought was the monomania of Mr. Mitchell. The trial consumed one week. The case interested a large number of spectators. The questions of law were hard fought. After being in their room a night and day, the jury rendered a verdict in favor of the will.

The Conciliation Party Wins.

Buenos Ayres, April 10.—The election for provincial Delegates to elect a president was held on quietly. The radicals abstained from voting. The conciliation party was victorious. After the elections the state of siege was reimposed.

Flour Mills Burned.
Louisville, Ky., April 10.—At Cattleburg today the flour mill of J. G. Patton & Co. was destroyed by fire. Charles McCoy, a miller was burned to death. The fire started, it is supposed, of incendiary origin. Loss on the mill \$50,000, uninsured.

A NOTABLE WEEK

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THE BIG MEETING AT DOUGLASSVILLE.

Where the Democrats and Third Parties Will Engage in Fought Battle.

This week will be a memorable one in the history of Georgia politics, and it will be long remembered as a week of stirring scenes and unbroken political activity.

In every section of the state the battle between the organized and unorganized democracy and the third party will be waged with more spirit and energy than ever before. As a matter of fact the little skirmishing about over the state will pale into insignificance when compared to the big letter events that this week holds in store for the political world.

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The Detectives Are Anxious to Find Some Trace of a Well-Known Young Man.

A. M. Lupo, a young man well known in sewing machine circles, has skipped to parts unknown.

He has left behind him a record that he will hardly care to face.

There are three separate charges against the young man—cheating and swindling, larceny after trust and embezzlement.

And each charge is represented by a different plaintiff.

Young Lupo has been living in Atlanta for several years past. During his residence here he acquired a wide circle of friends. He dressed well, was of pleasing manners, and proved to be a good business man.

Under these circumstances he easily gained the confidence of his employers. A short while ago he secured a responsible position with the Sewer Installation Company, at 18 East Hunter, giving recommendations from several local sewing machine companies.

Matters went along smoothly enough until a week or two ago. Then Mr. Sewer, the proprietor of the establishment, became suspicious that everything was not straight, and began to act accordingly.

This resulted in Lupo's leaving the place Saturday night a week ago.

The young man at the same time left his boarding place and went to the house of Mrs. E. H. Crawford, 1883 Whitehall street, where he remained there throughout the week.

On Friday he failed to turn up, and has not been seen since.

Day before yesterday the landlady went to the room and found that young Lupo had left nothing behind him but a trunk, and that had been emptied of all its contents.

She naturally concluded that he had no intention of returning, and the matter was reported to the police headquarters, and the force instructed to look out for the young man.

But before the day was over it was ascertained that he was wanted on a still more serious charge, and that he was a former employer, was looking in all directions for him. He had found at the young man's boarding house that the bird had flown, and immediately asked the detectives to look out for him.

His accounts had been examined into and quite a large deficiency discovered. So far as ascertained, the amount was of good proportions, but the exact sum was not known. It was supposed to be several hundred dollars short.

The trunk that was left behind by the young man has been identified as one that he had been instructed to sell, but which he had appropriated to his own use.

Under the three state charges hanging over his head, Lupo may have a hard road to travel should he be caught.

And no pains will be spared to find him.

MR. BYNUM DINED.

A Few Gentlemen Honor the Distinguished Tariff Reform Congressman.

Saturday night after the speaking at the opera house Congressman Bynum was dined at the Kimball, by several gentlemen, members of the Cleveland Club.

The dinner was purely an informal affair, and occurred in one of the Kimball house parlors.

There were seated at the table: W. D. Bynum, Judge George H. Hillier, Mr. Burton Smith, Mr. Hooper Alexander, Mr. F. H. Richardson, Mr. B. M. Blackburn, Mr. Hoke Smith, Mr. Howard Williams and Mr. Thaddeus E. Horton.

The distinguished guest, to the toast, "Our Distinguished Guest," making many complimentary references to Mr. Bynum.

Mr. Bynum was called on, and spoke at some length. He touched upon the present outlook, and said that he held his personal views as to who was the safest man for the democracy to put up.

He believed the northwest would go to the Chicago convention solidly. Grover Cleveland, he believed, would be elected, and the man whom the democracy should center upon to insure success.

Mr. F. H. Richardson, Mr. B. M. Blackburn and Judge George Hillier made short speeches.

They each made references to the third party, and said that the energies of the democracy should be directed toward crushing the movement in its infancy.

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And Then Cuts Through His Pursuers, and Though Shot At, Escapes.

Henry Pope, a very bad negro, may be his name, was shot at yesterday night at 9 o'clock. The shot was fired from a building, and the negro was killed.

About 10 o'clock last night he attacked her at his home, 15 Horton street, without provocation and beat the woman unmercifully. She was so badly hurt that she had to be taken to a hospital.

He was half a dozen times and left her more dead than alive.

A number of negroes by that time congregated at the place, attracted by the woman's screams. Pope dashed by them and tried to escape. He was caught and held on all sides.

Then Patrolman B. T. Wilson was sent for. Before he could come Pope managed to build his knife and cutting at the negroes about him succeeded in breaking through them all and made his escape.

He got away just as the officer came up. Patrolman Wilson chased him for more than three blocks, firing at him several times, but the desperate negro succeeded in getting away.

His wife is in a very dangerous condition, and may die.

CITY NOTES.

Mr. Hubert A. Knight, who was for several years chief of the Central railroad car office, this city, more recently with the car record and mileage office of the Richmond and Danville railroad, has accepted a position with the Central railroad car office at Savannah, which will be his future home.

The speech of Mr. E. W. Martin in the case of the Atlanta Gas company was a fine effort, and Mr. Martin was highly complimented for the thorough manner in which he handled the case.

Mr. Martin represents the gas company. The case will come up again tomorrow.

The Southern Travelers' Association was to have held a meeting last night to receive the report of several committees, but the meeting was postponed.

The runaway team mentioned in yesterday's Constitution did not belong to the Brady Miller stable. The mistake occurred through an error made by the policeman who reported the matter at the police station. The horse belonged to a drover who makes his headquarters at the Brady-Miller stables.

The Fulton County Sunday School association will hold its annual convention in the parlors of the Young Men's Christian Association on the 18th instant

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